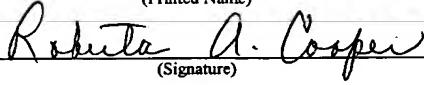




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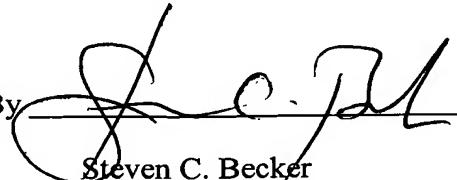
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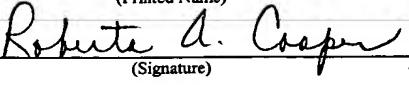
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COMMENTS ON STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

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Sir:

This communication is responsive to the Notice of Allowance dated March 2, 2006, concerning the above-referenced patent application.

The Examiner stated the following:

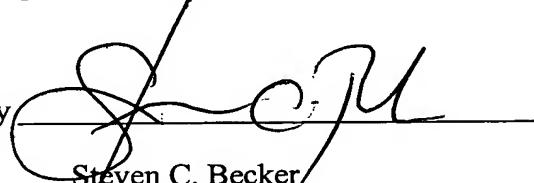
Claims 17-32 and 35-45 are allowable since certain key features of the claimed invention are not taught or fairly suggested by the prior art. In claim 17, "a lighting system coupled to the frame and configured to illuminate a display which is separate from the cover when the cover is positioned to overlay the display". In claim 28, "the light guide is configured to direct light toward at least a portion of the display when the cover panel is positioned to overlay the display". In claim 28, "illuminating at least a portion of the display when the cover is positioned to overlay at least the portion of the display, wherein the cover does not include the display and the cover may be moved out of the way of the display". The closest prior art, Anzai et al. (6,259,597) discloses that during normal use the touch panel is rotated to overlay the display and when not in use, the touch panel does not overlay the display, however, singularly or in combination fails to anticipate or render the above underlined limitation obvious.

While the Applicants agree that the allowed claims recite a combination of subject matter that is patentable over the cited references, the Applicants do not necessarily agree with or acquiesce in the statement of reasons for allowance given by the Examiner. Moreover, the Applicants note that the recited subject matter as well as various other subject matter and/or combinations of subject matter may be patentable for other reasons than those given by the Examiner. The Applicants expressly reserve the right to set forth additional and/or alternative reasons for patentability and/or allowance in connection with the present Application or in any other future proceeding.

REMARKS

These Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance under 37 C.F.R. § 1.104 are intended to be responsive to the Notice of Allowance dated March 2, 2006.

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